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SUBJECT: TUAN KO-WEN

REF: STATE 155544

1. WE ASSUME INS WASHINGTON CONCURS IN PROVIDING EXPEDITIOUS HANDLING OUT-OF-TURN TO TUAN KO-WEN AS CONDITIONAL ENTRY APPLICANT. IF SO, PROCESSING IN HONG KONG (MEDICAL, INTERVIEW, OBTAINING HKG 24-MONTH REENTRY AUTHORIZATION) WOULD TAKE THREE TO FOUR DAYS. THERE ARE, HOWEVER, MANY DIFFICULTIES ON CONDITIONAL ENTRY: A) WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY VISA OFFICE THAT NO P7 VISA NUMBERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR CHINA FOR MONTH OF JULY; B) G325 FORM SECURITY CLEARANCE NORMALLY REQUIRES 40 DAY WAITING PERIOD; C) SPONSORSHIP REQUIREMENT.

2. WE ASSUME THAT WE COULD CONSIDERABLY SPEED UP THE PROCESS BY HANDLING THE REQUIRED SECURITY CHECK TELEGRAPHICALLY DIRECTLY WITH AGENCIES CONCERNED THROUGH THEIR REPRESENTATIVES IN HONG KONG. SPONSORSHIP, AS INDICATED REFTEL, WOULD BE HANDLED PROBABLY THROUGH IRC AND WE PRESUME IRC WILL PROVIDE THE NECESSARY AUTHORITY TO HARRY ALLEN, WHO IS EXPECTED BACK IN HONG KONG JULY 4.

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HOWEVER, LACK OF VISA NUMBERS FOR JULY PRESENTS AN UNACCEP-

TABLE DELAY.

3. TUAN CALLED THE CONGEN JULY FIRST CLAIMING THAT HIS TELEPHONE AT THE HOTEL IS BUGGED AND THAT HE HAS HAD TWO TELEPHONE CALLS AND ONE CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE VISITOR ASKING WHERE HE WAS DURING THE PERIOD HE SPENT IN THE CONGEN. THIS MORNING, JULY 2ND, WE LEARNED THAT TUAN DISAPPEARED FROM HIS HOTEL LAST NIGHT AND HKG AUTHORITIES ARE NOW SEARCHING FOR HIM. HE AND THE OTHER EX-POW'S ARE DUE TO APPEAR BEFORE THE HKG IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES JULY 3RD TO APPLY FOR A FURTHER ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF THEIR HONG KONG STAY.

4. THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT POLITICAL ADVISOR HAS TOLD THE CONGEN THAT TUAN CAN STAY IN HONG KONG WHILE HIS ENTRY INTO THE US IS BEING PROCESSED.

5. WE RECOMMEND THAT THE DEPARTMENT LOOK INTO POSSIBILITIES OF INS PAROLE AUTHORIZATION UNDER SECTION 212 (D)(5)(A) OF INA, USING FORM I-512. OUR UNDERSTANDING IS THAT MEDICAL, SECURITY CLEARANCE, AND REQUIREMENT FOR RE-ENTRY TO HONG KONG WOULD NOT BE REQUIRED, AND THAT THE QUESTION OF VISA NUMBERS WOULD NOT BE A FACTOR. UNDER THIS SYSTEM, TUAN COULD PRESUMABLY BE READY TO DEHZRT HONG KONG AS SOON AS TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE.

6. SINCE TUAN HAD PROMISED TO CALL US JULY 3 FOR RESPONSE, WE WOULD APPRECIATE IMMEDIATE REPLY.
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